



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Verkaart et al.)
Serial No.: 10/001,966) Art Unit: 1651
Filed: December 5, 2001) Examiner: Saucier, Sandra
For: METHOD FOR PRECIPITATING)
RED BLOOD CELLS)

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

SIR:

In response to the office action of September 17, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows: